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The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1889 and the True Southron in 1894. The Watchman and Southron now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manifestly the best advertising medium in Sumter.

Former Gov. Blease continues to endorse the Manning administration. At every campaign meeting he apologizes for his old policy of recognizing none but political friends and supporters and pledges himself, if elected this time "to be the governor of all the people." He also says that Gov. Manning did nothing more with the asylum than he tried to do. This is an endorsement of Gov. Manning's policy, but those who remember the asylum investigation will receive with a grain of salt Mr. Blease's statement that he tried to do what Manning actually accomplished. If he really tried to reform the asylum but made an absolute failure to accomplish anything, this fact is a very strong reason why Mr. Blease should not be elected governor. He failed to enforce the law, he failed to suppress the blind tigers and liquor clubs, he failed to stop race track gambling, he failed to clean up the asylum, he failed to inaugurate progressive legislation, he failed to be governor of all the people. About the only thing he did succeed in doing was to fill the State with factional strife and to pardon nearly all the criminals the courts had sent to the penitentiary.

Egypt News Notes.

Egypt, Aug. 11.—Fair weather prevails and much farm work has been done. Several days of sunshine have brought the cotton crop to a better appearance, but a very short crop will be gathered. Corn, peas, etc., will produce a fair crop.

Politics are quite a live issue here now. Six candidates for magistrate from this district make it very interesting for all concerned. The campaign meeting at Spring Hill was a very successful occasion. It was an educational affair as well as a political one. All candidates were given a good hearing and no noise tended to war the occasion. Several hundred voters were present.

The protracted meeting at Spring Hill has just closed. Rev. T. L. Belvin, one of our boys, now of Holly Hill, S. C., preached a series of very fine sermons. Several new members were added to the church.

Dr. T. D. Foxworth is a visitor in Egypt today.

Misses Pearl Brown and Pearl and Dora Smith are visiting in Egypt.

Mr. Henry Weldon and family, of Mayesville, spent yesterday with Mr. T. C. Robertson at Spring Hill.

Mr. D. D. Grant, candidate for the house of representatives from Lee county, was a pleasant visitor in Egypt this week.

Quite a crowd from here went over to Bishopville last Monday to register.

Mr. A. K. Lee, member of the registration board, spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Bishopville.

Mr. J. K. Richbourg spent last Saturday in Camden.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Folk of Providence, spent Monday in Egypt.

Last Wednesday night quite a crowd of young folks met at the home of Mr. J. C. McLeod to give a surprise party to Miss Lota McLeod, who had just returned home after spending several weeks with friends at Rock Hill, Polton and other points. Several couples enjoyed the games of the evening.

Mr. Mendel Smith spent yesterday with friends in Egypt.

SUMTER COTTON MARKET.

Corrected Daily by Ernest Field, Cotton Buyer.

Good Middling 14.
Strict Middling 13 3-4.
Middling 13 1-2.
Strict Low Middling 13.
Low Middling 12 1-2.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Jan.	14.58	.59	.34	.38
Feb.	14.76	.76	.48	.52
Mar.	14.85	.86	.64	.64
Apr.	14.12	.25	.07	.07
May	14.30	.33	.05	.08
Jun.	14.47	.50	.26	.30

Col. R. M. Cooper of Winnsboro spent the day in the city.

COTTON FUTURES ACT.

Measure Reenacted with a Few Changes as Part of Annual Appropriation Act for the United States Department of Agriculture.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The annual appropriation bill for the department of agriculture just passed by congress contains a reenactment, effective September 1, 1916, of the United States cotton futures act, with a few changes. Section II of the present law, which taxes orders sent broad for the making of future contracts on foreign cotton exchanges unless certain conditions were complied with, will be omitted.

A new section known as 6a is inserted in the bill, which provides an optional contract under which parties may, by agreement, without being subject to tax, contract that under certain specified conditions the buyer may demand delivery of the basis grade named in the contract.

Another modification which will be of interest and assistance to the trade is the authority conferred on the Secretary of agriculture, in case of disputes, to include in his findings, even though only one question be referred, a complete classification of the cotton for the purpose of delivery on future contracts. Under the old law, the authority of the secretary was confined to a determination of the specific question of grade, quality, or length of staple referred to him by the parties. In other words, if the dispute involved grade only, and the cotton was found to be gin-cut, which is a question of quality, the secretary had no authority to include a statement as to gin-cut in his findings.

Government officials in charge of the matter call especial attention to the facts that the new act will not become effective until September 1, 1916, and that the old act of August 18, 1914, will remain in full force until the beginning of next month.

The rules and regulations of both the treasury and the agricultural departments, with slight modifications and additions necessitated by the changes made in the law, will be re-issued shortly after approval of the bill by the president, so that there will be no disturbance whatsoever to the trade. The official cotton standards of the United States, heretofore established, will be readopted and promptly promulgated, so as to be in force when the new act becomes operative.

SOMEWHAT TRANQUIL MEETING.

Only One Ear Bitten Off at Greenville County Campaign Meeting.

At the county campaign meeting at Highland Wednesday, Ashley Sevier had the upper part of one of his ears bitten off by Sheriff Rector's brother, Jim Rector, in a personal encounter which is said to have had its origin in a political discussion. Sevier is a nephew of W. Mills McOney, a candidate for sheriff. Each participant claimed that the other brought on the difficulty. They fought for several moments until they were separated by Chief of Rural Police Gosnell. Sevier was given medical treatment, but the severed part of his ear, which was retrieved by an innocent bystander, could not be re-affixed.

This was the only incident that marred the tranquility of the Highland meeting, the second of the present county campaign. The crowd of one thousand was altogether undemonstrative, except for lusty applause accorded certain candidates. The best of attention was given all.

*If your child is pale and sickly, picks at the nose, starts in the sleep and grinds the teeth while sleeping, it is a sure sign of worms. A remedy for these parasites will be found in White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only cleans out the worms, but it restores health and cheerfulness. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Adv.

NON UNION PETITION.

Unorganized Railway Employees Ask President to Prevent Strike.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Robt. T. Frazier, representing the workmen of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad presents petitions signed by six thousand unorganized workmen urging President Wilson to take steps to prevent the threatened strike. Other petitions are coming from 89 per cent. of all employees, Frazier says.

President Wilson is asked to urge congress to pass a definite legislation for forcing the settlement of labor disputes by federal mediation board, thus preventing a small group of men from conspiring to an end, calculated to benefit them only.

*For the stomach and bowel disorders of babies McFee's Baby Elixir is a remedy of genuine merit. It acts quickly, is pure, wholesome and pleasant to take. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Adv.

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TIGERS HARD HIT.

Whiskey and Beer Seized in Charleston.

Charleston, Aug. 11.—Fifteen hundred half pint bottles of whiskey and 12,840 bottles of beer were seized by State constables near Charleston today, the retail value of the alleged contraband being more than \$4,000. Chief Constable S. M. Duncan said tonight that an examination showed that about 1,000 bottles of "near beer" really contained whiskey. He said "Charles Blue" shipped the carload from Jacksonville to "J. H. Blue" in Charleston. There does not appear to be a "Blue" family resident here.

Many of the bottles were not labeled and the chief constable pointed out that the United States officers would be called upon to investigate this phase, since the interstate laws are violated.

Permission to use its sidetrack for a carload of "bricks" was given by the McCabe Fertilizer company which told the constable that H. L. Koester had made the arrangement. Koester insisted that he was given a commission to unload and deliver a "carload of bricks," but declined to tell the officers who was to receive the wet goods. The name of a Jacksonville Brewing company appears on a tag in one of the barrels.

The bill of lading calls for 107 barrels "near beer" while the constables found 122 barrels in the car.

"I know the taste of the real beer and the cases we seized today are the goods," Chief Constable Duncan said tonight. "I will send samples for chemical test to make assurance doubly sure, though. Meantime, I hope some fellow will undertake to sue out claim and delivery papers for the confiscated shipment."

The seizure is the largest since the prohibition law went into effect the first of January.

Dearborn Greer Loses Life in Water.

Easley, Aug. 11.—Dearborn Greer, the 11 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. King Greer, was drowned on Tuesday afternoon of this week in a wash hole near the house of Mr. Greer, who resides on a farm some five miles from this place.

*When you yawn a good deal in the daytime, feel dull achy and want to stretch frequently, it is an unmistakable symptom of malaria, and unless you do something at once you are booked for a spell of chills. Herbine is a chill medicine that will prevent or cure the disease. It drives out the impurities on which the malaria germs thrive, strengthens the liver and cleanses the bowels. Price 50c. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Adv.

FATAL RAILROAD WRECK.

Johnstown, Pa., Aug. 12.—Ten to fifteen persons are reported killed and many others injured in a wreck at Echo on the Cambridge & Southern railway. An east bound Ebensburg car crashed into a trolley. Both motormen were killed.

*If you feel "blue," "no account," lazy, you need a good cleaning out. Herbine is the right thing for that purpose. It stimulates the liver, tones up the stomach and purifies the bowels. Price 50c. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Adv.

Two Ships Sunk.

London, Aug. 12.—The British steamer Antelope and the Japanese steamer Temmei Maru have been sunk.

*If you sit in a cool draft when you are heated and get a stiff neck or lame back, you will be looking for something that will ease the pain. Fix your mind on Ballard's Snow Liniment and don't be talked out of it because it is the best pain relieving liniment you can get anywhere. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Adv.

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